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ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A method for rerouting wireless messages to locate service

providers for destination devices that use different service providers than

sending devices. In one embodiment, the method begins with a request

5   to send a wireless message from a sending device that uses a first

service provider to a destination device that uses a second service

provider. Based on a phone number reference in the message, potential

service providers for the destination device are identified. Ping messages

are then sent to each of these potential service providers, while checking

10   for a successful response. The message is then sent to the destination

device via a service provider who successfully responds to the ping

message sent to it. A phone map table that maps phone numbers to

message service providers may also be used to reroute messages. The

phone map table is updated in response to successful ping messages.

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